

Hank:

I should like to remind you that there is a seeming discrepancy between the figures that we have cited re square miles photographed and the areas we have shown on the maps as being covered. The discrepancy comes about thus:

a. For the CIA-proposed single flight we say that 11,700 square miles would have been photographed--looking 10 miles on either side. The ten-mile-on-either-side figure for the combined four flights is only 7,500.

b. Yet if you compare the two maps (the single CIA-proposed flight vs. the four tracks actually flown) it is obvious that the four-track coverage is greater. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ On the maps we have extended the coverage out to 35 miles. We did this because when we actually flew the four tracks we identified SAM sites out to about that distance.

c. Using 35 miles on either side as a basis for computation, the CIA-proposed single flight would have covered 28,275 square miles. The four tracks actually flown covered about 30,250.

d. The difference comes about because the southern peripheral flight flew three miles off the coast. If you are computing only the ten-mile-on-a-side coverage, this materially reduces the four-track figure.

Note that the COMOR paper of 1 September is attached to General Carter's memo of 10 September to the Secretary of Defense. We have not tabbed it separately.

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1. what found
2. Dotted line to show extension
3. include 17 Sept + 14 Oct.

From Docket

20 February 1963

1. CIA planned mission

(a) 35 NM either side = 28,275 sq mi

(b) 10 NM either side = 11,700 sq mi

Comment:

(1) A single mission planned as overflight except for southern border between Zapata Swamp and Sierra Maestra due to range limitations.

(2) Repeat coverage deleted from above figures.

2. Missions planned by Special Group 10 Sept 62.

a. Isle Of Pines / Zapata Swamp

(1) 35 NM either side = 4750 sq mi

(2) 10 NM either side = 1600 sq mi

b. Southern Peripheral

(1) 35 NM either side = 10,000 sq mi

(2) 10 NM either side = 2800 sq mi

c. Banes

(1) 35 NM either side = 6000 sq mi

(2) 10 NM either side = 1000 sq mi

d. North Peripheral

(1) 35 NM either side = 9500 sq mi

(2) 10 NM either side = 2100 sq mi

Comment:

(1) Repeat coverage included

(2) Isle O Pines/Zapata Swamp and Banes missions were overflights.

3. Total coverage planned:

CIA

Special Group

Single Mission

Four Missions

	<u>CIA</u> <u>mission</u>	<u>Spec. Group</u> <u>4 miss.</u>	<u>Spec. Group</u> <u>2 miss.</u>
(a) 35 NM either side	28,275 sq mi	30,250 sq mi	10,750
(b) 10 NM either side	11,700 sq mi	7,500 sq mi	2,600